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General Session

Examining the First Four Years of *Williams* Implementation

Executive Summary: The *Williams v. California* settlement legislation was enacted just over four years ago with the intent of establishing "a floor, rather than a ceiling, and a beginning, not an end, to the State of California's commitment and effort to ensure that all California school pupils have access to the basic elements of a quality public education." Brooks Allen, the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) statewide *Williams* implementation attorney, will discuss the impact of the settlement legislation, as well as the evolution of the *Williams* standards and accountability systems.

Recommended Action: For information only

Presenter: Brooks Allen, Staff Attorney, ACLU Foundation of Southern California

Strategic Plan Goal: 1

Promote educational excellence through the preparation and certification of professional educators

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This item will be an oral presentation.